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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE

1. BELGIAN ARTIST AND PROFESSOR PIERRE LAHAUT WILL BE VISITING US MARCH 15-APRIL 15 WITH GRANT FROM MINISTRY OF CULTURE (FRENCH) PURPOSE HIS VISIT WILL BE TO STUDY US METHODS OF TEACHING ART AND DESIGN AT MAJOR US UNIVERSITIES AND SCHOOLS OF DESIGN. ALL TRAVEL AND EXPENSES WILL BE ASSUMED BY LAHAUT.

2. LAHAUT PLANS FOLLOWING ITINERARY: NYC (MARCH 15-25), PALM BEACH AND TAMPA, FLORIDA (MARCH 26-31), LOS ANGELES (APRIL 1-5), SAN FRANCISCO (APRIL 6-8), CHICAGO OR BOSTON (APRIL 9-13).

3. EMBASSY REQUESTS FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE IN ESTABLISHING CONTACTS IN ART DEPARTMENTS AT MAJOR UNIVERSITIES AND SCHOOLS OF DESIGN IN CITIES ON LAHAUT'S ITINERARY. WOULD ALSO WELCOME DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANCE OBTAIN MODERATE SINGLE RESERVATIONS EN ROUTE.

4. LAHAUT HAS OUTSTANDING REPUTATION AMONG CONTEMPORARY BELGIAN ARTISTS AND AS PROFESSOR OF DESIGN AT PRESTIGIOUS ECOLE NATIONALE SUPERIEURE D'ARCHITECTURE ET DES ARTS VISUELS (ENSAAV). VISIT TO US WILL BE LAHAUT'S FIRST AND WILL PROVIDE HIM WITH INVALUABLE BACKGROUND AND EFFECTIVENESS AS ENSAAV TEACHER.

5. BIODATA: PDOB: ETTERBEEK, APRIL 30, 1931. CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS: 88 RUE DE BRIMEZ, 5150 WEPION. MARRIED, 6 CHILDREN. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: UNIVERSITY OF LOUVAIN, HUMANITIES, ONE YEAR; PROFESSIONAL ARTIST SINCE 1957; PROFESSOR AT ENSAAV SINCE 1969. LAHAUT HAS FAIR KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH SUFFICIENT FOR CONTACTS

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AT WORKING LEVEL. LAHAUT ETD WILL BE 16 MARCH, SA FLT. 541.

6. ADVISE. RENNER

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